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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Chairman, National Intelligence Council

FROM: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Military Advisory Panel

General Gorman has agreed to serve as Chairman of the Military Advisory Panel for a period of at least a year. He has made three requests, all of which seem reasonable to me and which I would ask you to implement.

- -- He would like to be able to schedule meetings of the Panel at times that are convenient to the Panel rather than being driven by the availability of the conference room. I realize conference rooms are at a premium, but surely we can find a way to accommodate this to ensure maximum Panel attendance.
- -- He would like to be able to have secure storage facilities for his use in connection with the Panel at the Foreign Science and Technology Center (FSTC) in Charlottesville. He was able to make use of this for the Ikle Panel. Given the ties the Community has to FSTC, I assume this can be arranged. The Commander there is an old friend and colleague of Gorman's. Perhaps Julian Nall or Gordon Oehler knows the fellow and can make these arrangements.
- He would like to organize the meetings so that there is more interaction between the Panel members and analysts. He is concerned that the Panel has begun spending too much time in debate with itself rather than having a dialogue with those doing the work.

I have asked Paul to give you a call to establish who his contact point should be and how to get started. I suggest that there be both an administrative and substantive contact point — perhaps the latter could be an Assistant NIO like or someone else.

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Finally, please prepare a note from the DCI to Paul Gorman thanking him for taking this on and also a letter from the Director to Panel Members informing them of the change in Chairmanship.

Robert M. Gates